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SUBJECT: NRC ANNOUNCEMENT ON RECYCLED PU IN WATER REACTORS

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- 1. REFTELS RECEIVED AND PASSED JAPANESE THRU FUKUNAGA, DEPT DIRGEN AEB, MORNING MAY 12.
- 2. REACTIONS OF JAPANESE ALREADY RECEIVED AS RESULT OF AFTICLE ON SUBJECT NRC ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH APPEARED IN JAPANESE PRESS MAY 9.
- 3. ACTING CHAIRMAN JAEC ON EVE MAY 9 ENQUIRED OF ERDA ASST. SCIREP ABOUT TRUTH OF ARTICLE. REQUESTED INFO AS SOON AS IT OFFICIALLY RECEIVED. FELT ACTION UNFAVORABLE TO PU RECYCLE WOULD BE "BAD". EMBOFF HAD NOT SEEN ARTICLE AND DID NOT COMMENT.
- 4. YOSHIO KAWASHIMA, EXEC DIR NMCC MADE SIMILAR ENQUIRY MORNING MAY 12. HE HOPED NRC HAD NOT RULED AGAINST PU RECYCLE. WANTED COPY NRC ANNOUNCEMENT WHEN AVAILABLE.
- 5. TRANSLATION OF DENKI SHIMBUN (ELECTRIC NEWSPAPER) COMMENTS ON NRC STATEMENT FOLLOWS: UNCLASSIFIED

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"NRC'S RECOMMENDATION IS EXPECTED TO GREATLY INFLUENCE

THE PLUTONIUM RECYCLE PROGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN THOUGHT TO BE ONE OF THE EFFECTIVE MEANS OF OVERCOMING THE ENERGY CRISIS

"IF A FINAL DECISION IS MADE, A DECISION ON WHETHER OR NOT TO APPROVE USING PU-U MIXTURE FUEL IN LWR WILL BE POST-PONED UNTIL AFTER THE MIDDLE OF 1978. JAIF IS ALREADY RAISING ITS VOICES OF OPPOSITION."

 $6.\,$ WILL KEEP DEPT INFORMED OF REACTIONS AS RECEIVED. HODGSON

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